


## Coming Soon....

### For our Visitors

Did you know that we have Godly Play / Children's Church available for children 3 years through 5th Grade, during Worship Service? Children are welcome to attend after the "Time with Children" in the Worship Service. We also have a Nursery available for children under age 3.

### WRPC Walking Group

 Every Tuesday, weather permitting! We will gather at 9:00 am at the Greenbelt Holston Valley Drive Trailhead entrance. If there is a change in plans, Collin will send out an email to let you know where we will be walking.

### We Need Your Feedback on a New SALT Group!

The Adult Ministries Committee is exploring the possibility of forming a new SALT (Seeking and Learning Together) group that will focus on studying the Enneagram.

The Enneagram is an ancient personality typing system that identifies Nine Personality Types expressed individually and in relationship to others.

Adult Ministries is trying to gauge interest from our congregation for this kind of study topic. We would appreciate your help by responding on the Yes or No hyperlink at <https://forms.gle/jqNmof275L55hoHRA>.

Or if you would like to give direct verbal feedback or have questions, please contact Eileen Butler, chair of Adult Ministries, at [eileen2220@gmail.com](mailto:eileen2220@gmail.com).



### SMILE for May

Our wish list for April includes new or gently used Preemie 5T clothing and new or gently used twin bedding (sheet sets and comforters).

### Coming Soon! Cantemus Women's Choir presents "Poetry in Motion" Concert

**Friday, May 10, 7:00pm**  
Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

**Saturday, May 11, 7:00pm**  
First Presbyterian Church  
Johnson City, TN

### Visioning Task Force Survey

Hello friends,  
If you were unaware, WRPC has established a Visioning Task Force to kind of get a feel for how the church is doing and where we should focus our efforts in the future with God's help. We truly want to hear from each member of our congregation whether you have been here for years or have just arrived. We have created this quick (can be done in less than three minutes depending on how much you have to say) survey. We hope you will take a moment and give us your honest thoughts. You may submit your name or remain anonymous. You can scan the QR code below with your smartphone or follow the link in the newsletter. If you prefer a person-to-person conversation we'd love to have that too. Rachel Lawson as well as myself can be found in the church directory. If we do not answer, please leave a message, we will call you back. Thank you. —Suzanne Huron

Here is the link <https://forms.gle/xreWaxTqyPMjw4KA>



## WRPC Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday 4/28</b>	9:45am Sunday School 11:00am Worship Service
<b>Monday 4/29</b>	6:00pm Youth Group, YS
<b>Tuesday 4/30</b>	9:00am Walking Group, meet at Holston Valley Trailhead 6:00pm The Has Beens, FH
<b>Wednesday 5/1</b>	1:00pm ZOOM Bible Study 7:00pm Chancel Choir Practice
<b>Thursday 5/2</b>	6:30pm Stephen Ministry Leaders, GS
<b>Friday 5/3</b>	10:00am Food Pantry, FH

### Acolyte

Mason Wilson

### WRPC Staff

Pastor | Collin Blair Adams

Pastor Emeritus | Daniel Clark

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Rachel Lawson

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# Waverly Road Presbyterian Church

Love God Love Others Make Disciples

## Service of Worship

April 28, 2024, 11:00 am

1415 Waverly Road Kingsport, TN 37664 423.247.5121 [www.waverlyroadpc.org](http://www.waverlyroadpc.org)

## Welcome to our Visitors

This church welcomes all who come within its walls or within its influence. Whatever the reason for you being here today, we hope that you find light, peace, direction and friendship.

If you would like more information about Waverly Road Presbyterian or if you are interested in becoming a member, you can fill out one of the yellow cards placed behind the pews, contact our minister at 423.247.5121, or visit our website at [www.waverlyroadpc.org](http://www.waverlyroadpc.org).

*Please note the following details concerning the bulletin format:*

*When you see **bold italics**, we all read aloud together.*

*An \* invites those who are able to stand.*

## TIME OF WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

**PRELUDE**          “I Sing Praises”          Terry Mac Almon

**GATHERING PRAYER**                                  Michael Lawson

## CHORAL INTROIT

## CALL TO WORSHIP

In the wilderness, water brings life.

*Seek us out, O God, and take us to the water.*

In the Word of God, the good news gives light.

*Seek us out, O God, and fill us with understanding.*

In the bread and the wine, the body of our Savior nourishes everyone.

*Seek us out, O God, and give us yourself.*

Here is the water of life, the word that feeds, the food of eternity. Come and praise the vine that gives all goodness.

**\*HYMN 450**          “Be Thou My Vision”

## CALL TO CONFESSION

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

*God of mercy, we confess that we have not borne the fruit of the Spirit. We have not loved others as you have loved us. We have denied the promises of baptism and cut ourselves off from you. Forgive us, restore us, that we may abide in your love and live out your mercy, for the sake of Jesus Christ, in whose name we pray. AMEN*

## SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

You are already clean by the words that God has spoken to you. Believe the promise given to you: in Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

*ALLELUIA! AMEN*

## \*GLORIA PATRI

*Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.*

## TIME WITH CHILDREN

Suzanne Huron

**ANTHEM**                                  “Be Silent”                                  J. B. Taylor

*Be silent. A whisper is heard. Be silent. Oh, treasure each word.*

*Be silent, for Holy is this place. Be silent. Oh, listen for grace.*

*Be silent. Breathe humbly our prayer. A foretaste of Eden, this moment we share.*

*Be silent. His mercy record. Be silent, and wait on the Lord. Wait on the Lord your God.*

*Be silent. He bids us draw near. Be silent. The Savior is here.*

**SCRIPTURES**                                  1 John: 4:7-21 & Acts 8:26-40

**SERMON**                                  “Loving”                                  Rev. Collin Adams

## \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

*I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN*

## PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD’S PRAYER

*Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN*

**STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**                                  Ken Marsh

## OFFERTORY

## \*DOXOLOGY

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him all creatures here below; praise him above ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

## \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*Through our offerings, O God, give your loving Spirit to a world in need of comfort. Make our many gifts one offering for the world; in the name of Jesus. AMEN*

**\*HYMN 685**          “Unseen God, Your Hand Has Guided”

## \*BENEDICTION

## \*CHORAL BENEDICTION

## 450

## Be Thou My Vision

Capo 1: (D) (G) (D/F#) (A7) (D)  
 Eb Ab Eb/G Bb7 Eb

1 Be thou my vi - sion, O Lord of my heart;  
 2 Be thou my wis - dom, and thou my true Word;  
 3 Rich - es I heed not, nor vain, emp - ty praise;  
 4 High King of Heav - en, my vic - to - ry won,

(A) (D) (G) (A)  
 Bb Eb Ab Bb

naught be all else to me, save that thou art;  
 I ev - er with thee and thou with me, Lord;  
 thou mine in - her - i - tance, now and al - ways;  
 may I reach heav - en's joys, O bright heaven's Sun!

(G) (D) (F#m7) (G) (A)  
 Ab Eb Gm7 Ab Bb

thou my best thought, by day or by night,  
 thou my soul's shel - ter, and thou my high tower;  
 thou and thou on - ly, first in my heart,  
 Heart of my own heart, what - ev - er be - fall,

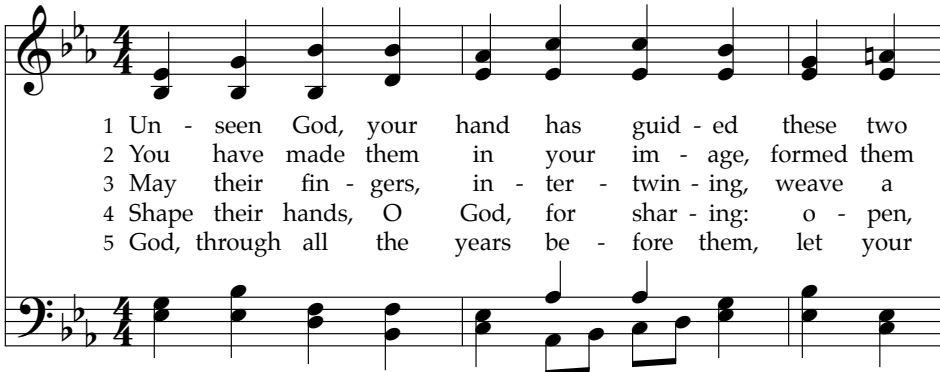
(Bm) (D/F#) (G) (D)  
 Cm Eb/G Ab Eb

wak - ing or sleep - ing, thy pres - ence my light.  
 raise thou me heaven - ward, O Power of my power.  
 High King of Heav - en, my trea - sure thou art.  
 still be my vi - sion, O Rul - er of all.

*Guitar chords do not correspond with keyboard harmony.*

These stanzas are selected from a 20th-century English poetic version of an Irish monastic prayer dating to the 10th century or before. They are set to an Irish folk melody that has proved popular and easily sung despite its lack of repetition and its wide range.


## 685 Unseen God, Your Hand Has Guided



1 Un - seen God, your hand has guid - ed these two  
 2 You have made them in your im - age, formed them  
 3 May their fin - gers, in - ter - twin - ing, weave a  
 4 Shape their hands, O God, for shar - ing: o - pen,  
 5 God, through all the years be - fore them, let your



lives on sep - arate ways till they heard your  
 for com - mu - ni - ty. Bless their hands, now  
 stron - ger bond to bear bur - dens fu - ture  
 reach - ing out to give. Make their hearts, as  
 hand their hands up - hold. On their un - seen



call to trav - el hand in hand through all their days.  
 linked to - geth - er, yoked in love that sets them free.  
 years may bring them: stress of du - ty, weight of care.  
 you have shown us, quick, when wound - ed, to for - give.  
 way be - friend them; with your love their love en - fold.

This wedding or anniversary text effectively weaves together metaphorical and literal references to hands. The metaphors, referring to God's providential care, are always singular, while the human references all involve more than one hand and evoke visual and tactile images.